

## Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA

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less for weighing the lightest and heaviest consumer packages packed in the plant and test weights for calibrating such scales;

(4) Scales graduated in increments of ¼-pound or less for weighing shipping containers and test weights for calibrating such scales;

(5) An acceptable candling light.

(b) Furnished office space, a desk and file or storage cabinets (equipped with a satisfactory locking device), suitable for the security and storage of official stamps and supplies, and other facilities and equipment as may otherwise be required. Such space and equipment must meet the approval of the National supervisor.

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### § 56.18 Schedule of operation of official plants.

Grading operating schedules for services performed pursuant to §§ 56.52 and 56.54 shall be requested in writing and be approved by the Administrator. Normal operating schedules for a full week consist of a continuous 8-hour period per day (excluding not to exceed 1 hour for lunch), 5 consecutive days per week, within the administrative workweek, Sunday through Saturday, for each shift required. Less than 8-hour schedules may be requested and will be approved if a grader is available. Clock hours of daily operations need not be specified in the request, although as a condition of continued approval, the hours of operation shall be reasonably uniform from day to day. Graders are to be notified by management 1 day in advance of any change in the hours grading service is requested.

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#### APPLICATION FOR GRADING

### § 56.20 Who may obtain grading service.

An application for grading service may be made by any interested person, including, but not being limited to, the United States, any State, county, mu-

nicipality, or common carrier, and any authorized agent of the foregoing.

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### § 56.21 How application for service may be made; conditions of service.

(a) *Noncontinuous grading service on a fee basis.* An application for any noncontinuous grading service on a fee basis may be made in any office of grading, or with any grader at or nearest the place where the service is desired. Such application may be made orally (in person or by telephone), in writing, or by telegraph. If the application for grading service is made orally, the office of grading or the grader with whom such application is made, or the Administrator, may require that the application be confirmed in writing.

(b) *Continuous grading service on a resident basis or continuous grading service on a nonresident basis.* An application for continuous grading service on a resident basis or for continuous grading service on a nonresident basis must be made in writing on forms approved by the Administrator and filed with the Administrator. Such forms may be obtained at the national, regional, or State grading office. In making application, the applicant agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of the regulations (including, but not being limited to, such instructions governing grading of products as may be issued from time to time by the Administrator). No member of or Delegate to Congress or Resident Commissioner shall be admitted to any benefit that may arise from such service unless derived through service rendered a corporation for its general benefit.

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### § 56.22 Filing of application.

An application for grading or sampling of a specified lot of any product shall be regarded as filed only when made pursuant to this part.

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